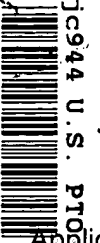


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Applicants: M.T. Cammarota; M.P. Jordan; M. Lee; G.A. MacDonald; K.I. Ratliff      Docket No.: 14966.1  
Serial No.: Unknown      Group: Unknown  
Filed: Herewith      Examiner: Unknown  
For: ABSORBENT ARTICLES HAVING WETNESS INDICATING GRAPHICS INCORPORATING A TRAINING ZONE  
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**Transmittal Letter**  
**Request for Continuation Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b)(1)**  
**Same Plural Inventors**

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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request the filing of a continuation application in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)(1) of the below-identified prior application.

The prior application is identified as follows:

1. Serial number: 09/333,223
2. Filing Date: 06/15/99
3. Title as originally filed: ABSORBENT ARTICLES HAVING WETNESS INDICATING GRAPHICS INCORPORATING A TRAINING ZONE
4. Applicants as originally filed: Mark Thomas Cammarota; Mary Patricia Jordan; MeeWha Lee; Gregory Allen MacDonald; Kathleen Irene Ratliff
5. Address of First Named Applicant in Prior Application: 152 Old Orchard Lane, Neenah, WI 54956
6. Correspondence Address of Prior Application: Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54957-0349

The prior application is currently pending before Examiner J. Webb in Group 3761. The entirety of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

Enclosed is a copy, as originally filed, of the above-identified prior application which includes 44 pages of specification, the specification including a one (1) page Abstract, sixty-two (62) claims, and nine sheets of drawings.

This application is filed by the same inventors named in the prior application.

Also enclosed is a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney showing the signatures of the inventors in the prior application. If applicable, a copy of any amendments referred to in the oath or declaration is also enclosed.

Please amend the specification of this application by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the following:

AI -- This application is a continuation of application serial number 09/333,223 entitled ABSORBENT ARTICLES HAVING WETNESS INDICATING GRAPHICS INCORPORATING A TRAINING ZONE and filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 15, 1999. The entirety of application serial number 09/333,223 is hereby incorporated by reference/ --

And, if indicated:

☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

☐ Please consider the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of the documents (excluding pending applications) cited therein. Pending applications are recited on a separate sheet to avoid their being printed on the face of any patent issuing herefrom.

The filing fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a), (b), (c) and (d), has been calculated, after entry, if applicable, of any amendments, as follows:

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Independent Claims	4	-3 =	1	x 80 (fee code 102) =	80.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				+ 270 (fee code 104) =	270.00
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				TOTAL	\$2,104.00

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This transmittal letter is submitted in duplicate.

The undersigned may be reached at telephone number (920) 721-3617 or fax number (920) 721-3129.

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. CAMMAROTA, ET AL.

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